

CURZON SEES FRAUD IN 'PEACOCK THRONE'

Alleged Relic Offered by Turkish Government Must Be Spurious

HISTORY REFUTES CLAIM

Former Viceroy Proves That Former Treasured Article Was Shattered.

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Copyright, 1919, all rights reserved. London, Sept. 13.—Lord Curzon, Government leader in the House of Lords and former Viceroy of India, writes of the reported Peacock Throne of Delhi, now for sale by the Turkish Government, as follows:

"I am afraid that this is only the latest among the many spurious pretensions to the glory of being the celebrated throne of the Great Mogul. Either the throne itself or fragments of it are always turning up in Oriental palaces or treasure houses, in books of enthusiastic travellers, even in London auction rooms, but alas, the story is a myth. The Turks cannot have captured and cannot for almost two hundred years have possessed the Peacock Throne, because on the last occasion on which they fought Nadir Shah, who had rifled it from Delhi, they suffered a crushing defeat at his hands and were forced to sue for an inglorious peace."

"This was in 1745. Two years later the tyrant was murdered in his tent near Kuchan, in northern Persia, by some of his own tribesmen. His treasure was looted and dispersed. The peacock throne was broken up and such fragments of it as survived were inserted in the seat of the throne that may still be seen in the museum of the royal palace at Teheran. This must not be confused with the Takht-i-Taus, or peacock throne, which has often been taken by travellers for the Mogul original, but which is relatively a modern structure, having been made in the early years of the nineteenth century for Fath Ali Shah, King of Persia."

"Archaeologists throughout the world would indeed be delighted if the real peacock throne of Shah Jehan, whose vacant palace in Wivianston at Delhi still mourns its absence, had arisen from the dead and reappeared in the treasure vaults of Stamboul, but I fear that there is no such hope and that we must resign ourselves to the acceptance of one more myth concerning this historic but vanished masterpiece of the past."

Lord Curzon probably has the best posted man in the world on Hindustan. Therefore a movement for the British Government to restore the peacock throne has been killed through his accurate knowledge of the worth of the relics in the possession of the Turkish Government.

REDS CONCENTRATE ON FINNISH FRONT

Murman Forces Being Transferred to Westward.

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Copyright, 1919, all rights reserved. HJELMSING, Sept. 13.—The Bolsheviks are withdrawing considerable forces from the Murman front and concentrating on the Finnish frontier. Even the Finnish Social Democrat draws attention to the danger of the Communist agitation here. Finland defies Trotsky's insolent threat to send Mongol hordes against Finland, one journal saying: "The only Finn answer to the Bolsheviks is Polish war."

Yamburg, sixty-five miles west of Petrograd, was recaptured from the Bolsheviks Thursday. This news was brought to me direct by M. Lianosoff, Prime Minister of the north Russian Government, who has just arrived from Reval.

This success resulting from the reorganization of Narva from indicates the sterling work done by the British mission in supplying the army, which is also further assured of support by the arrival of a 10,000-ton ship containing many guns, 20,000 rifles, many million rounds of ammunition and 40,000 overcoats.

The recapture of Yamburg is impor-

tant because it commands the bridge over the River Luga. M. Lianosoff's Government has entered into excellent relations with the Ingrianlanders, inhabitants of Petrograd Province, who sent a delegation to Reval to recognize his Government.

REVOLT IN THRACE STYLED AS FICTION

Bulgarian Minister Repudiates Grecian Reports.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—The Bulgarian Minister, Stephen Panaretov, issued an official statement to-day taking issue with recent despatches from Athens picturing resistance to Bulgarian rule in western Thrace.

The Athens despatches stated that Turks and Greeks had joined in the movement; that Bulgarian authorities had covered western Thrace with "Comitads" and arrested Mussulman Deputies of the Bulgarian Parliament who protested against Bulgarian rule and that in endeavoring to force the population to sign declarations to the Peace Conference in favor of Bulgarian rule the Bulgarians had precipitated an armed conflict between Turks and Bulgarians.

All this the Bulgarian Minister controverts in the following statement: "The Turks of western as well as eastern Thrace do not desire any Greek rule, as a recent despatch from Constantinople affirmed, saying that if Thrace should be given to Greece the Turkish population would revolt en masse."

"The Mussulman Deputies of the Bulgarian Parliament last March publicly declared in their own name and that of their colleagues that they are opposed to Greek rule and perfectly satisfied with that of Bulgaria. They denounced the alleged appeal to Venizelos to be put under Greek rule and protection as a fake and its assertions utterly unfounded."

"A delegation of Thracian Turks started some time ago to go to Paris and protest against their country being handed over to Greece; but as access to the conference was denied to them they proceeded no further than Rome. There are not, nor can there be any comitads in western Thrace because the country is practically under the control and supervision of allied military forces. The two places where the revolt is said to have come to a head are a fiction, for there are no such places in the country of Gomuljine. The Greek source."

DREAM OF DROWNING SPOILED BY RESCUER

Sailor's Son Falls in Water, but Constable Saves Him.

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Copyright, 1919, all rights reserved. HULL, England, Sept. 13.—An extraordinary story of the dream of a sailor at sea concerning his son, which forecast what was happening at home is related at Hull. The boy, John Atkinson, aged 10, went down to the pier slope to get into a small boat moored there, when he fell into the water. Police Constable Arnold got him out and took him to his home.

His mother, who was very grateful, said she had a special reason for warning the boy not to go near the water, for she had had a letter from her sailor husband telling her to take special care of John, because he had dreamed he had seen him struggling in the water and that he was drowning. "Therefore," pleaded the father, "Don't let him go anywhere near the water." Fortunately the alert policeman prevented the dream from coming quite true.

JAIL RAIDED; TWO LYNCHED.

Pueblo Mob Hangs Mexicans as Policeman's Slayers.

PUEBLO, Col., Sept. 13.—Two Mexicans were taken from the city jail to-night by a mob of armed citizens, driven in an automobile to the Fourth Street Bridge at the city limits and hanged.

The bodies were found forty-five minutes after their capture. The lynching followed the arrest of two Mexicans charged with the murder to-day of Patrolman Jeff Evans.

Rheims Pays Tribute to Dead.

RHEIMS, Sept. 13.—In memory of those who lost their lives at Rheims in the war, and in commemoration also of the beginning by the Germans of systematic bombardment of the Cathedral, to-morrow hereafter will be observed each year in Rheims as a memorial day. Wreaths were laid to-day on monuments erected in the cemetery outside the town to the memory of the inhabitants of this city who fell in the war.

CHINESE TROOPS SENT TO MONGOLIA

Curious Situation Develops in Connection With Gen. Semenov's Visit.

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Copyright, 1919, all rights reserved. Peking, Sept. 13.—The Mongolian situation is developing curiously. Some 2,500 Chinese troops, contrary to the terms of the Kiakhta convention, have been dribbled to outer Mongolia ostensibly to assist the Mongolians against the Buriat pan-Mongol movement, headed by the Russian Gen. Semenov.

Meanwhile, astonishing to relate, Semenov is under invitation from the Governor-General of the three-Manchurian provinces, to en route to Mukden and has been treated with extraordinary honor by all Chinese military officials when passing through Kharbin, Tsushima and Kharbin.

In this connection there has been long about a rumor of a scheme to proclaim a monarchy in Manchuria with a Manchurian Prince who has resided at Dalny since the revolution in the principal role. In ordinary times any such plan would be accounted as ridiculous, but there is much in the present circumstances to suggest that some deep laid-plot of this kind is afoot and that Semenov is interested in it. It has to be remembered that the Mongolians declared their independence of China after the deposition of the Manchus on the ground that they owed allegiance only to the Manchou dynasty and not to China.

It is generally felt that some kind of change in the status of Mongolia and Manchuria is impending. An unexpected hitch has arisen in the Tibetan negotiations, the Chinese Government suddenly wishing to reopen the whole question, whereas only a few weeks ago it put forward definite proposals for a final settlement on the basis of the agreement initiated in India in 1914 and involving a modification only in regard to boundaries.

KOLCHAK REPORTS FURTHER ADVANCES

Many of Enemy Taken—Tobolsk Loss Minimized.

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Copyright, 1919, all rights reserved. With Kolchak's Army, Russia, Sept. 13 (delayed).—The twelfth day of our offensive finds our three armies well within Gen. Dieterich's time table. The Reds have displayed great skill and determination, but have been outgeneraled and beaten. The outposts of the Third Army are approaching Kurgan and cavalry is sweeping the enemy's rear, capturing transports.

The Second Army has started a pivotal movement in line with the Third. Another fortnight remains before the weather will seriously impede the operations. Surprises of course are possible from a resourceful foe, who is managing despite the hardest fighting, to maintain a semblance of order during his retreat.

The disappearance of the Fifth Red Division from the centre to the left bank of Gen. Sakharov's army and the sudden appearance there of the Red Thirty-fifth Division three days ago did not disturb our pivotal advance. Sufficient forces have been left to cope with a surprise.

The enemy's troops attacked at night and were defeated. The spirit of our infantry, according to reports, is on a par with that of the best troops of 1914, while the cavalry leaves nothing to be desired.

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Reds at Tobolsk, are converted to-day to extreme optimism and are announcing prematurely the reconquest of Kurgan. The Reds at Tobolsk are not believed to be dangerous and they run risks of starvation.

I have received from officers and men accounts of numerous thrilling incidents that have marked the offensive. The station of Libianshde, east of Kurgan, was rushed at night by an armored train and a whole Red regiment was captured. New volunteer detachments have asked to be sent immediately to the front.

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Trans-Andine Service Suspended. BUENOS AYRES, Argentina, Sept. 13.—Passenger service on the Trans-Andine Railway running between the East and West coasts of South America again has been suspended because of a heavy snowfall. Service on the railroad was resumed only recently after having been interrupted since the early part of June.

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